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Members of the Green Acres Presbyterian Church of Portsmouth re-create the Last Supper on Thursday based on Leonardo da Vinci's mural. The re-enactment is a performance of The Original Chancel Drama of the Living Last Supper.

Last Supper caps a night of church firsts

"One of you is going to betray me and he is here at this table."

Congregants at Green Acres Presbyterian create living mural

By Amy Poulter
The Virginian-Pilot

PORTSMOUTH

Every year, Rosemary Moyers looks for Easter celebrations that remind her of years gone by. It's hard to find more traditional holiday events, she said.

Then, a few weeks ago, she saw a sign outside of Green Acres Presbyterian Church. The sign announced an upcoming performance that Moyers sounded like what she was searching for.

It's the first time Moyers has visited the Presbyterian church along High Street, and for the event, she brought her three children, Katherine, Jacob and Kenneth, along with her.

"All week long, we've been doing different things so they could learn about what Easter really means," Moyers said.

As the sun set on Maundy Thursday, Jesus and his disciples – played by congregants of the church – hurried into their places on stage. Donned

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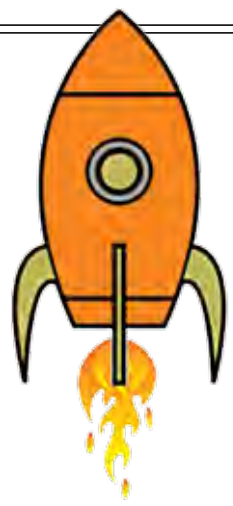

Ready to launch, startups?

Money, mentors, connections: 3 new programs aim to boost Hampton Roads startup companies.

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OUSTED VA CHIEF SAYS HE OPPOSED PRIVATIZING

David Shulkin blamed his removal on his opposition to privatizing the agency and a toxic political environment.

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Chesapeake native Jay Pharoah plays a surprising part in the new movie thriller "Unsane."

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CONGRATS, LEFTY

Norfolk native Lefty Driesell, who took four schools to the NCAA tournament, is now a Hall of Famer.

SPORTS

ALEX BRANDON | THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Virginia women's basketball coach Joanne Boyle gets a kiss from her adopted daughter Ngoty. Boyle had known for decades that she wanted to adopt a child.

For U.Va. coach, an agonizing choice – her job or her daughter

Adoption problems led to resignation

By Maria Sacchetti
The Washington Post

Head coach Joanne Boyle led the University of Virginia women's basketball team to the NCAA tournament last week, a feat the Cavaliers had not accomplished since 2010. Then, she stunned everyone by announcing her retirement at age 54, citing only a "family matter."

The real story spilled out to her team in the locker room: She has to take her 6-year-old daughter, Ngoty, back to Senegal – 4,000 miles away – to finalize her adoption, and the U.S. government won't say when they can come back.

It could be months. Or years.

"It hit me like a ton of bricks," Boyle, who coached for 25 years, including seven at Virginia, said in a telephone interview from Charlottesville, where she shares

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chance of rain in the morning

High, lower 70s.
Low, mid-40s.

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Fatherhood course has Norfolk men opening up

Ten-week class aims to better connect fathers with their kids

By Amy Poulter
The Virginian-Pilot

NORFOLK

Tim Ruth's fatherhood development course always starts the same way.

The men arrive tight-lipped, hesitant to tell their own stories, he said. It's sometimes challenging to get them to talk about how they feel and what brought them to the program.

"So many boys when they were growing up were told to suppress their emotions – to be strong and never show any emotion," said Ruth, who has been teaching the course for the city as a volunteer for three years. "So they walk around with all that burden, but when they're older, these things they've suppressed start showing up."

But usually around week three, comfort settles in and the guys begin to open up.

Then comes the excitement, Ruth said. After that,

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Norfolk teenager shot dead had a "bright future," mother says

ANGELA DOUGLAS | FOR THE VIRGINIAN-PILOT

"Daemon was a good kid. He didn't deserve what happened to him," said April Dixon about her son Daemon Person at a memorial at Booker T. High School in Norfolk on Thursday.

Hundreds gather to honor legacy of slain Booker T. student

By Jonathan Edwards
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NORFOLK

Even though Daemon Person served in ROTC, ran track, danced, and sang in the high school chorus, he had so much more he wanted to do: go to college, serve as an officer in the Navy, become a pediatrician.

He'll never get to do any of that.

The 15-year-old Booker T. Washington High School sophomore was shot dead last week in his home on Corprew Avenue, right across from Norfolk State University.

"He had a bright future ahead of him," his mother, April Dixon, said. "Daemon was a good kid. He didn't deserve what happened to him."

On Thursday evening, hundreds of mourners got together at Booker T. to honor him. The concert chorus sang; the danc-

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